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SUBJECT: WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE: PRC PARTICIPATION

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1. USUN HAS DISCUSSED WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE (WFC) QUESTION INFORMALLY WITH PRC UN IN NEW YORK. DEPARTMENT SEES ADVANTAGES TO CONTINUING DIALOGUE THERE WITH PRC ON THIS ISSUE, BUT WOULD WELCOME USLO'S COMMENTS AS TO WHETHER IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO RAISE MATTER IN PEKING AS WELL.

2. THE U.S. POSITION IS THAT THE WFC SHOULD INCLUDE ALL MAJOR FOOD CONSUMING AND PRODUCING COUNTRIES AND WE WOULD, OF COURSE, WELCOME PRC'S ACTIVE PARTICIPATION IN WFC. JUDGING FROM INFORMAL CONTACTS IN NEW YORK, THE PRC SEEMS

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TO GENERALLY SUPPORT IDEA OF WFC. USSR HAS SIGNED UP TO

SERVE ON WFC PREPARATORY COMMITTEE, AND WE EXPECT CHINESE
WILL ATTEND PREPCOM'S FIRST SESSION (TO BE HELD NEXT
WEEK) AS WELL. WE DO NOT YET KNOW WHETHER, OR TO WHAT
EXTENT, PRC MAY USE WFC AS ANOTHER FORUM FOR ATTACKING
SOVIETS. KISSINGER

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